

House Resolution 1297

By: Representative Brooks of the 63rd

A RESOLUTION

1 Expressing regret at the passing of Mrs. Clara Belle Pryor; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, Mrs. Clara Pryor passed to her eternal reward on Friday, February 1, 2008, at
3 the age of 78 after a courageous battle with amyotrophic lateral sclerosis; and

4 WHEREAS, she was the youngest of five children born to Mr. Jesse "Bose" Grier and Mrs.
5 Cleo Watson Grier, and she was preceded in death by all four of her siblings, Mr. Kelsey
6 Grier, Mr. Acey Grier, Mrs. Ethel Hightower, and Dr. Anne L. Crawford; and

7 WHEREAS, she was married to her high school sweetheart, Lindsey Pryor, and the two were
8 one for 54 years until his death in 2000, and this loving union produced four children,
9 Lindsey, Jr., Pamela, Stephanie, and Yul, Sr.; and the family has been blessed with four
10 grandchildren, Teresa, Flanzio, Yul, Jr., and Mia; and

11 WHEREAS, she was educated in the Atlanta public schools, where she later worked for 32
12 years at Wesley Avenue Elementary School, Coan Elementary School, and the John F.
13 Kennedy Center, and she received many rewards and recognitions during her career; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. and Mrs. Pryor worked together in a number of entrepreneurial endeavors,
15 including opening Penni's Cone Parlour, a delightful eatery with more than 39 flavors of ice
16 cream, in Moreland Plaza; and

17 WHEREAS, she was a lifelong member of the Providence Baptist Church, and she served
18 in numerous membership, fellowship, and leadership roles throughout the years, including
19 the Young Adult and Senior Choirs I and II, the Deaconess Board, Daily Vacation Bible
20 School, and sponsor of the Youth Choir; and

21 WHEREAS, she was affectionately known as "Belle," "Mama," "Mother," "Mama Pryor,"
22 "Aunt Belle," "Clabbiegal," and "South," and she leaves a legacy of a life well lived.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OR REPRESENTATIVES that
2 the members of this body express regret at the passing of Mrs. Clara Belle Pryor and convey
3 condolences to her grieving family and friends.

4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
5 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Mrs. Clara
6 Belle Pryor.